

**A RESOLUTION
BY THE FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

03-12-1668

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$200,000.00 FROM THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT TO RECORD VIOLATIONS OF RED LIGHT SIGNALS AT ONE STATE ROUTE INTERSECTION IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING SAID FUNDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has an interest in the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens and visitors; and


WHEREAS, violations of red light signals frequently cause serious traffic accidents involving personal injury and property damage in the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the promotion of compliance at signalized intersections is critical to efforts by the Atlanta Police Department to reduce traffic accidents in the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, Georgia law provides that the driver of a motor vehicle shall be liable for a civil monetary penalty of not more than \$70.00 if such vehicle is found, as evidenced by recorded images produced by a traffic-control signal monitoring device, to have been operated in disregard or disobedience of a circular red or red arrow signal not otherwise authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, Georgia law defines the term "traffic control signal monitoring device" as a device with one or more motor vehicle sensors working in conjunction with a traffic-control signal to produce recorded images of motor vehicles being operated in disregard or disobedience of a circular red or red arrow signal; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, the Georgia Department of Transportation received \$2,000,000.00 from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety to be used to fund the installation of photo enforcement equipment for red light running; and



WHEREAS, up to \$200,000.00 is available to local governments from the Georgia Department of Transportation for purchase and installation of photo enforcement cameras at one State route intersection; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for one State-funded installation of traffic-control signal monitoring devices, the City of Atlanta must sign a Memorandum of Agreement agreeing that the equipment will be used for three consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for one State-funded installation of traffic-control monitoring devices, the City of Atlanta must agree to use all excess funds from the revenues collected for safety-related projects; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Police Department, in conjunction with the Department of Public Works, initially has identified the intersection of Ponce de Leon Avenue and North Highland for installation of traffic-control signal monitoring devices to be funded by this grant; and


WHEREAS, a copy of Information on the Red Light Running Program, which includes the Requirements for Red Light Running Photo Enforcement Funding (pages 4-5) and the proposed Memorandum of Agreement between the Department of Transportation and the City of Atlanta (pages 15-18), is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, a draft cover letter making request for funding addressed to the Georgia Department of Transportation Office of Traffic Safety and Design is attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, a Traffic Engineering Report including a Collision Diagram with Accident Data for the two most recent years which has been prepared by the City of Atlanta to be submitted to the Georgia Department of Transportation is attached hereto as Exhibit C; and

WHEREAS, plans with a cost estimate are attached hereto as Exhibit D; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Atlanta City Code § 2-910, the Public Safety and Legal Administration Committee has reviewed the grant application prior to the Finance Committee's review and made a recommendation to the Finance and Executive Committee and the Council.



Section 3. That no match is required by the grantor, but the City shall provide the funds necessary to maintain the equipment and administer the program.

Section 4. That the City will use any and all excess funds from the revenues collected from the photo enforcement at the grant-funded intersection for safety-related projects.

A true copy,

Phonda Dauphin Johnson
Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED by the Council
APPROVED by the Mayor

NOV 03, 2003
NOV 10, 2003

CONSENT I

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

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CONSENT I 03-R-1860

ADOPT

YEAS: 10
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 1
NOT VOTING: 2
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 3

Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y Moore	A Mitchell
B Starnes	Y Fauver	B Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	Y Shook	Y Maddox	B Willis
Y Winslow	NV Muller	Y Boazman	NV Woolard

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Regular Session

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CONSENT I 03-R-1676

ADOPT

YEAS: 9
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NOT VOTING: 3
EXCUSED: 0
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Readings

☒ Consent ☐ V Vote ☒ RC Vote

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ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Latrice W. Woodard

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Frankie D. Johnson
MUNICIPAL CLERK

MAYOR'S ACTION

APPROVED

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